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Sir:

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The references cited in this IDS were cited in an Final Office Action mailed on February 6, 2008, in related U.S. Patent Application No. 09/998,893 (Attorney Docket No. 02176-013900US). A copy of the Final Office Action in 09/998,893 is available on Public PAIR

and is believed to be readily accessible to the Examiner. However, if the Examiner would like copies of the references listed herein, the applicants would be happy to furnish copies upon request.

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